

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE TARIFF FILING OF UNION)	
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TO)	CASE NO.
DISCONTINUE REIMBURSEMENT)	2001-048
PROGRAM)	

O R D E R

On January 30, 2001, Union County Water District ("Union County") filed a tariff with the Commission wherein it proposed to discontinue its reimbursement program and include a leak adjustment policy. Union County stated that the tariff would be effective February 1, 2001. The Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposed tariff on the following issues.

First, Union County did not provide the 30-day notice to the Commission required under KRS 278.180. Suspension of the tariff is not required because Union County did not comply with the 30-day notice required by KRS 278.180(1).

Second, Union County proposes to eliminate the reimbursement program as it applies to new customers. The program as set forth in its current tariff will continue to apply to "only those customers currently being reimbursed under this provision." The current program, which does not comply with the methods set forth in 807 KAR 5:066, Section 11(2)(b)(1) & (2), was approved and included in Union County's tariff. See 807 KAR 5:066, Section 11(4). The Commission must determine the reasonableness of the proposed change to this tariff.

Third, Union County proposes a leak adjustment program in which it retains discretion to adjust bills including amounts for leaks from the customer's side of the meter. The Commission must determine if this policy violates the anti-discrimination provisions of KRS 278.170 and the specificity requirement of KRS 278.160.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the proposed tariff filing of Union County is not, and cannot become, effective prior to the conclusion of this proceeding.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of March, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director